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## PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT AND PRIORITY REQUEST

This preliminary amendment is filed along with the filing of a non-provisional patent application transmittal form. This patent application claims the benefit of the earlier filing date of prior filed co-pending provisional application serial number 60/244,786 filed on November 1, 2000 under 37 CFR 1.78(a)(4).

Please amend the specification by inserting before the first line the sentence:

-- Cross Reference To Related Patent Applications

This application claims the benefit of the filing date of U.S. provisional application serial number .60/244,786 filed November 1, 2000.

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